



Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council

REVISED AGENDA

MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, May 19, 2015
1:30 PM

1300 S Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, WA 98504
Hearing Room 206

1. Call to Order Bill Lynch, EFSEC Chair
2. Roll Call Tammy Mastro, EFSEC Staff
3. Proposed Agenda Bill Lynch, EFSEC Chair
4. Minutes **Meeting Minutes**..... Bill Lynch, EFSEC Chair
 - April 14, 2015
 - April 21, 2015
5. Projects **a. Kittitas Valley Wind Project**
 - Operational Update..... Eric Melbardis, EDP Renewables**b. Wild Horse Wind Power Project**
 - Operational Update..... Jennifer Diaz, Puget Sound Energy**c. Grays Harbor Energy Center**
 - Operational Update..... Rich Downen, Grays Harbor Energy**d. Chehalis Generation Facility**
 - Operational Update..... Mark Miller, Chehalis Generation Staff**e. Columbia Generating Station**
 - Operational Update..... Shannon Khounnala, Energy Northwest**f. WNP - 1/4**
 - Non-Operational Update..... Shannon Khounnala, Energy Northwest**g. Tesoro/Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal**
 - Project Update..... Sonia Bumpus, EFSEC Staff
6. Other **a. EFSEC Council**
 - Legislation Update Bill Lynch, EFSEC Chair
 - Rules Update..... EFSEC Staff
 - Executive Session Bill Lynch, EFSEC Chair

Executive Session, not open to the public to discuss agency litigation as allowed under RCW 42.30.110 (1) (i)
7. Adjourn Bill Lynch, EFSEC Chair

Note: "FINAL ACTION" means a collective positive or negative decision, or an actual vote by a majority of the members of a governing body when sitting as a body or entity, upon a motion, proposal, resolution, order, or ordinance. RCW 42.30.02

WASHINGTON STATE
ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

Richard Hemstad Building
1300 South Evergreen Park Drive Southwest
Conference Room 206
Olympia, Washington
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9:03 a.m.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
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A P P E A R A N C E S

Council Members Present:

BILL LYNCH, Chairman
LIZ GREEN-TAYLOR, Department of Commerce (via phone)
CULLEN STEPHENSON, Department of Ecology (via phone)
JOE STOHR, Fish and Wildlife (via phone)
DENNIS MOSS, Utilities & Transportation Commission

Local Government and Optional State Agencies:

KEN STONE, Department of Transportation (via phone)
GREG SHAFER, Clark County (via phone)
LARRY PAULSON, Port of Vancouver (via phone)
BRYAN SNODGRASS, City of Vancouver (via phone)

Attorney General's Office:

ANN C. ESSKO, Assistant Attorney General

EFSEC Staff:

CASSANDRA NOBLE, Administrative Law Judge
KALI WRASPIR
TAMMY MASTRO
STEPHEN POSNER
JIM LASPINA
JOAN AITKEN

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Olympia, Washington
9:03 a.m.
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P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN LYNCH: Let's go ahead and call the meeting to order. Today is April 14th, 2015. It's a few minutes after 9 a.m. This is a special meeting of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council.

And could we please have Staff call the roll?

MS. MASTRO: Department of Commerce?

MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: Liz Green-Taylor here.

MS. MASTRO: Department of Ecology?

MR. STEPHENSON: Cullen Stephenson here on the phone.

MS. MASTRO: Fish and Wildlife?

MR. STOHR: Joe Stohr's here on the phone too.

MS. MASTRO: Natural Resources?

Utilities Transportation Commission?

MR. MOSS: Dennis Moss is here.

MS. MASTRO: Local governments and optional state agencies. Department of Transportation?

MR. STONE: Ken Stone is here on the phone.

MS. MASTRO: City of Vancouver?

MR. SNODGRASS: Bryan Snodgrass here on the phone.

MS. MASTRO: Clark County?

MR. SHAFER: Greg Shafer here on the phone.

MS. MASTRO: And Port of Vancouver?

MR. PAULSON: Larry Paulson here on the phone.

MS. MASTRO: Chair, there is a quorum.

CHAIRMAN LYNCH: Very good.

And Mr. Siemann notified us earlier that he would be on vacation this week and unable to attend the meeting, so he is excused.

And the purpose of this -- well, what we're going to do right at the moment is go into an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110, sub 1, sub-little i, to discuss with legal counsel potential litigation to which the agency may become a party.

We will recess until 9:30, at which point we'll come back on the record and we'll have a small update regarding -- SharePoint update in the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Project, and so for right now, we are in recess.

(Meeting recessed from 9:05 a.m. to 9:36 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN LYNCH: This is Bill Lynch coming back on the record just for the purpose of saying we'll

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1 be -- we'll need another 10 minutes, and we'll be back here
 2 for the remainder of our hearing in about 10 minutes, at
 3 9:45. Thank you.
 4 (Meeting recessed from 9:36 a.m. to 9:46 a.m.)
 5 CHAIRMAN LYNCH: This is Bill Lynch,
 6 reconvening the special meeting of the Energy Facility Site
 7 Evaluation Council. We have just concluded, at quarter to
 8 10, our executive session, and at this point in time, we
 9 would -- we'll take a SharePoint update from Mr. Posner.
 10 MR. POSNER: Thank you, Chair Lynch, Council
 11 Members.
 12 Just like to give you a quick update that
 13 we've made some changes to the system, and we will be --
 14 later this week, we'll be downloading Chapter 2 of the --
 15 the draft EIS for your review.
 16 And when you -- the changes are, basically,
 17 when you go into the system now, you will see the document,
 18 and you will open that document, and you will rename that
 19 document with the same name that you see, but just add your
 20 initials at the end of the document and save it as a new
 21 document. That document will then be the document that you
 22 will review and provide comments on.
 23 And then each time that you provide comments,
 24 you just save it, and then you can reopen it if you need to
 25 close it and reopen it to go back and forth and add new

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1 comments. Your comments will be available to EFSEC Staff
 2 for review; however, you will only be able to see your own
 3 comments on that particular chapter.
 4 And we are -- we'll be -- EFSEC Staff will be
 5 available to provide you any assistance you need once the
 6 system is up and going. We will, like I said, have
 7 Chapter 2 on later this week, so you'll have an opportunity
 8 to start commenting later this week, and we'll be available
 9 to help you if you have any -- any issues.
 10 We've tested it. It's an easy system, and I
 11 think once you open Chapter 2, you'll see it's very easy to
 12 work with. Be happy to answer any questions, if Council
 13 Members have any.
 14 MR. MOSS: Just one technical point, Stephen.
 15 One thing that struck me when we looked at Chapter 1 was it
 16 would have -- if we had a link in the e-mail that you sent
 17 to alert us to its availability, that would save a few
 18 steps.
 19 And for people like me who are somewhat
 20 technically challenged, it would make it a little easier to
 21 get to the document. I got there eventually --
 22 MR. POSNER: Okay.
 23 MR. MOSS: -- but it took me a little effort.
 24 With a link, I would be there, I suppose, directly.
 25 MR. POSNER: Right.

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1 MR. MOSS: Yeah. If that's possible.
 2 MR. POSNER: And we could certainly do that.
 3 That's -- we can do that. No problem.
 4 MR. MOSS: Great. Thanks.
 5 MR. STONE: Stephen, this is Ken Stone. I
 6 have not commented on Chapter 1 yet but intend to, so I
 7 want to confirm that close of business today is the
 8 deadline for Chapter 1 comments.
 9 MR. POSNER: That's correct.
 10 MR. STONE: And the process for submitting
 11 comments on Chapter 1 is just an e-mail message to you?
 12 MR. POSNER: That's correct.
 13 MR. STONE: Okay. Is Chapter 1 still
 14 viewable on the SharePoint site?
 15 MR. POSNER: Yes, it is.
 16 CHAIRMAN LYNCH: Any other questions for
 17 Mr. Posner?
 18 Do we have anything else on the agenda today?
 19 MR. POSNER: No.
 20 CHAIRMAN LYNCH: Just one good of the order,
 21 our agency request bill, Senate Bill 5310, has indeed made
 22 the House floor calendar, so hopefully it will -- they will
 23 take action on it before the close of business tomorrow and
 24 we have a bill on the Governor's desk.
 25 And with that, thank you all for your

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1 availability and participation this morning, and we are
 2 adjourned.
 3 (Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.)
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7 and for the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the
8 foregoing transcript of the special meeting of the
9 Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council on
10 April 14, 2015, is true and accurate to the best of my
11 knowledge, skill, and ability.

12 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
13 and seal this April 21, 2015.

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PROCEEDINGS

CHAIR LYNCH: Good afternoon. This is Tuesday, April 21st, little bit after 1:30 p.m. This is the regular monthly meeting of the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council. And can we please have the staff call roll.

MS. MASTRO: Department of Commerce.

MS. GREEN TAYLOR: Liz Green-Taylor here.

MS. MASTRO: Department of Ecology.

MR. STEPHENSON: Cullen Stephenson here.

MS. MASTRO: Fish and Wildlife.

MR. STOHR: Joe Stohr here.

MS. MASTRO: Department of Natural Resources.

MR. SIEMANN: Dan Siemann here.

MS. MASTRO: Utilities and Transportation Commission.

CHAIR LYNCH: Mr. Moss is excused.

MS. MASTRO: Local governments and optional state agencies, Department of Transportation.

MR. STONE: Ken Stone is here.

MS. MASTRO: City of Vancouver.

MR. SNODGRASS: Bryan Snodgrass on the phone.

APPEARANCES

Council Members Present:

Bill Lynch, EFSEC Chair
Liz Green-Taylor, Department of Commerce
Cullen Stephenson, Department of Ecology
Joe Stohr, Fish and Wildlife
Dan Siemann, Department of Natural Resources

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Joan Aitken
Tammy Mastro
Sonia Bumpus
Cassandra Noble, Administrative Law Judge

Guests in Attendance:

Rich Downen/GHE
Mark Miller, Chehalis

Guests in Attendance Via Phone:

Haley Edwards, PSE/Wild Horse
Karen McGarvey, Perkins Cole
Eric Melbardis, Kittitas Valley EDP Renewables
Jennifer Diaz, Wild Horse/PSE
Shannon Khounnala, Columbia/ENW

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MS. MASTRO: Clark County.

MR. SHAFER: Greg Shafer here.

MS. MASTRO: Port of Vancouver.

MR. PAULSON: Larry Paulson here.

MS. MASTRO: Sir, there is a quorum.

CHAIR LYNCH: Very good. Thank you. And could we please have the councilmembers look over the proposed agenda and see if you have any proposed additions or changes.

MR. STEPHENSON: Chair Lynch, I propose that we approved the minutes from the last meeting.

CHAIR LYNCH: I hadn't quite gotten to the minutes, but that is --

MR. STEPHENSON: Oh, sorry.

CHAIR LYNCH: No, that's fine. So it looks like there's no proposed agenda changes, so let's move on to the minutes. And Councilmember Stephenson has moved that we approve the minutes from the March 17th, 2015, council hearing.

Do we have a second?

MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: I'll second that motion.

CHAIR LYNCH: It's been moved and seconded that we approve the meetings -- the minutes from the March 17th meeting. All those in favor say aye.

MULTIPLE SPEAKERS: Aye.

CHAIR LYNCH: Opposed? Motion carries. And at this time, I'd like to have anybody on the -- the -- the phone,

1 other than those people who regularly report to us as part of
 2 their operational updates, if you choose to identify
 3 yourself -- you're not required to, but we'd appreciate it.
 4 You can do so at this time.
 5 MS. EDWARDS: This is Haley Edwards with PSE.
 6 CHAIR LYNCH: Anybody else?
 7 MS. MCGAFFEY: Karen McGaffey of Perkins Coie.
 8 CHAIR LYNCH: Okay. At this time we're going to move
 9 on and get our updates regarding our projects. Mr. Melbardis,
 10 Kittitas Valley Wind Project.
 11 MR. MELBARDIS: Good afternoon, Chair Lynch.
 12 CHAIR LYNCH: Excuse me, Mr. Melbardis, I know last
 13 time you used your -- I think you were using a different phone
 14 that we were able to hear you much better on.
 15 Are you using that same phone today?
 16 MR. MELBARDIS: Yes, I am. Can you hear me any better
 17 now?
 18 CHAIR LYNCH: I'll ask the court reporter. Can you
 19 hear him now? Barely, so --
 20 MR. MELBARDIS: Okay. I will just speak up. Good
 21 afternoon, Chair Lynch, outside council. This is Eric
 22 Melbardis with EDP Renewables for the Kittitas Valley Wind
 23 Power Project. For -- we have nothing nonroutine to report,
 24 other than we had a fire and life safety inspection performed
 25 by the Kittitas Fire Marshal's Office, and there were no

1 inspected the location where the eagle was found.
 2 The location was approximately 65 meters west of
 3 turbine 02, which is in the northern portion of the original
 4 project area. And let's see. And then we also provided
 5 notification similar to the previous incident we reported to
 6 the Department of Fish and Wildlife, tax representative. We
 7 provided a notification to Jim Messina, and we also submitted
 8 the data to Regional Migratory Bird Permit Office with Fish and
 9 Wildlife Service as required by our special purpose utility
 10 permits.
 11 And we also noted -- notified our Fish and Wildlife
 12 Service PAC representative, Stephen Lewis, who we are also
 13 consulting with on the development of the eagle conservation
 14 plan.
 15 So for the next steps, we will continue to consult
 16 with Fish and Wildlife and develop our eagle conservation plan.
 17 We will seek to resolve this case as well as the previous two
 18 mortalities prior to obtaining an eagle permit.
 19 And we still have no indication yet from Fish and
 20 Wildlife on how to resolve those incidents, but we'll just
 21 continue to work with them. And the eagle fatality monitoring
 22 and eagle use surveys will continue through March of next year.
 23 CHAIR LYNCH: I'm sorry, Haley. I'll call you
 24 "Haley," because I didn't write down your last name and I've
 25 already forgotten what it was. Could you say that again what

1 significant findings.
 2 CHAIR LYNCH: Very good. Any questions of
 3 councilmembers for Mr. Melbardis? Thank you, Mr. Melbardis.
 4 And at this time we'll hear from the Wild Horse Wind Power
 5 Project, Ms. Diaz.
 6 MS. DIAZ: Yes. Thank you, Chair Lynch. For the
 7 record, this is Jennifer Diaz, environmental manager for Puget
 8 Sound Energy at the Wild Horse Wind Facility. The only
 9 nonroutine item I have for Wild Horse is an update from Haley
 10 Edwards on the eagle monitoring that began last month. And
 11 Haley Edwards is on the phone to provide that update. Haley.
 12 MS. EDWARDS: Thank you. Good afternoon, Chair Lynch,
 13 council. So I have an update. During the formal eagle
 14 fatality monitoring surveys on April 8th, the remains of an
 15 immature golden eagle were identified near turbine 02, which
 16 was promptly reported to Jennifer Diaz.
 17 She contacted me to let me know that they found the
 18 eagle. And Jennifer was not on site at the time, and I wasn't
 19 able to get there, so she instructed the field biologist to
 20 collect the remains, record the appropriate data and take some
 21 photos.
 22 On April 10th Mel Walters and I conducted a site visit
 23 and met with Fish and Wildlife Service enforcement agents. We
 24 transferred the eagle to Fish and Wildlife Service and provided
 25 them with the information about the incident, and also

1 your last name is.
 2 MS. EDWARDS: Edwards.
 3 CHAIR LYNCH: Edwards. Ms. Edwards, this most recent
 4 eagle death, is that close to the area where the original two
 5 eagles were killed?
 6 MS. EDWARDS: It's about a mile west of the
 7 previous -- where the previous occurred. Is that correct,
 8 Jennifer, a mile and a half, a mile or so?
 9 MS. DIAZ: Yes. Yes, that's correct, approximately
 10 one mile to the west.
 11 CHAIR LYNCH: And do we have any sort of a time frame
 12 when of -- an estimate when the -- an eagle permit will issue
 13 from the US Fish and Wildlife?
 14 MS. EDWARDS: Not yet. We are in the consultation
 15 process, so we are -- we have received comments on our draft
 16 and will continue to, you know, make some revisions to that
 17 document, but it will likely be, you know, several months.
 18 We're not certain that we'll get one this year. But,
 19 you know, we're in the process. We haven't heard anything
 20 about a time frame from Fish and Wildlife Service at this
 21 point.
 22 CHAIR LYNCH: Do any councilmembers have any questions
 23 for either Ms. Edwards or Ms. Diaz? Apparently not. Ms. Diaz,
 24 did you have anything else that you wanted to cover today?
 25 MS. DIAZ: No, Chair Lynch, nothing further.

1 CHAIR LYNCH: Okay. Thank you. Very good. And we'll
2 look forward to our staff getting a report on this most recent
3 incident and -- and we'll review it after that. Thank you.
4 MS. DIAZ: Thank you.
5 CHAIR LYNCH: And I see Mr. Downen's all cued up here,
6 so can we please hear your report from Grays Harbor Energy
7 Center.
8 MR. DOWNEN: Afternoon, Chair Lynch, council staff.
9 My name's Rich Downen. I'm the plant manager at Grays Harbor
10 Energy. The only thing out of ordinary to report is just a
11 status of the noise monitoring equipment that we've budgeted
12 for this year.
13 We've specced out the equipment, and our controls
14 engineer is validating how to tie that into our control system
15 before we purchase it. We want to make sure that that
16 instrument will communicate to our control system and then our
17 intent is to then purchase that.
18 We've been building up to our maintenance outage,
19 which starts this Saturday. So after the outage, then we
20 intend to purchase that and get it installed this summer. So
21 that's the -- where we're at with noise monitoring.
22 CHAIR LYNCH: Good. Very good. That's good to hear
23 that you're moving forward on this --
24 MR. DOWNEN: Yes.
25 CHAIR LYNCH: -- on your own initiative, and we

1 appreciate that. Any questions for Mr. Downen? Good. Thank
2 you, Mr. Downen.
3 MR. DOWNEN: Thank you.
4 CHAIR LYNCH: Mr. Miller, Chehalis Generation
5 Facility.
6 MR. MILLER: Good afternoon, Chair Lynch and council
7 members. My name is Mark Miller. I'm the plant manager at the
8 PacifiCorp Chehalis Generation Facility. I have a couple
9 nonroutine comments to make.
10 Last month we had the annual compliance evaluation and
11 Title 5 inspection conducted by EFSEC staff and a member from
12 the Southwest Clean Air Agency staff as well. We conducted
13 relative accuracy test audits on our continuous emission
14 monitors, and they both passed nicely, as well as a individual
15 test on the boiler emissions to ensure that we were within
16 our permit limits.
17 We also met with the Department of Ecology Toxics
18 cleanup Program and discussed our plan for additional
19 groundwater monitoring wells as it relates to our most recent
20 generator failure, generator step-up transformer failure where
21 we spilled mineral oil from that.
22 And John Rapp (phonetic) of Ecology confirmed that our
23 plan was appropriate, and we have already installed the wells
24 and made the first sample. So the results from those will be
25 forthcoming. And that's all I have.

1 CHAIR LYNCH: Very good. Any questions for
2 Mr. Miller? Thank you, Mr. Miller.
3 MR. MILLER: Thank you.
4 CHAIR LYNCH: The Columbia Generating Station and WNP
5 1 and 4. Ms. Khounnala, Energy Northwest.
6 MS. KHOUNNALA: Yes. Thank you, Chair Lynch and
7 council and staff. For Columbia Generating Station, we have no
8 events or seeping incidences or out-of-the-ordinary regulatory
9 issues to report.
10 I will mention to the -- to the council that Columbia
11 is in our final planning stations for our refueling outage,
12 which will begin on May 9th and conclude on June 15th, as well
13 as another update as this week we are -- we do have our fire
14 and life safety inspection being performed through the end
15 of -- the end of Wednesday of this week, so we'll look forward
16 to seeing the results of that inspection. And no other items
17 to report on Columbia.
18 CHAIR LYNCH: Very good. Go ahead and proceed to WNP
19 1 and 4.
20 MS. KHOUNNALA: Sure. Regarding WNP 1 and 4, as we'd
21 mentioned the past couple of months, the Department of Energy
22 did receive the formal water right permit from the Department
23 of Ecology.
24 And currently we are working with the Department of
25 Energy on the scoping and the preparation of a NEPA

1 environmental assessment which will cover the surface water
2 transmission system as well as the leasing operations.
3 For the next number of months we'll be statusing
4 the -- we will be assisting the Department of Energy on their
5 preparation of that report. We expect that to continue at
6 least through the end of the summer, and then the review of
7 that NEPA EIS being conducted by the Department of Energy this
8 fall. So no other outstanding items to report on WNP 1 and 4.
9 CHAIR LYNCH: Very good. Any questions from
10 councilmembers for Ms. Khounnala from -- either regarding
11 Columbia Generating Station or WNP 1 and 4? Mr. LaSpina has
12 something he'd like to add. Thank you.
13 MR. LASPINA: Yes, sir. Good afternoon, Chair Lynch
14 and councilmembers. This afternoon I'd like to inform you of a
15 proposal by the energy -- by Energy Northwest concerning
16 acceleration of the site restoration process for the WNP 1 and
17 4 projects.
18 These are two projects, uncompleted nuclear power
19 plant projects, located adjacent to the Columbia Generating
20 Station. So I'm going to be talking about two projects which
21 you rarely hear about, and also an EFSEC requirement that's
22 attached to all the site certificates that we issue that
23 addresses decommissioning and site restoration of projects. So
24 you'll hear a little bit of new information here.
25 All site certification agreements issued by the

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1 council require the certificate holder to make provisions for
2 the decommissioning and site restoration of their facilities at
3 the end of their life cycles. Restoration of Energy
4 Northwest's WNP 1 and 4 sites is addressed in two resolutions
5 that are attachments to the SCA. The SCA is basically the
6 license that the EFSEC issues for the facilities.

7 The first resolution was issued in December of 2003.
8 This resolution detailed specific restoration tasks that Energy
9 Northwest would carry out for decommissioning of the facilities
10 and their site restoration.

11 Now, the facilities were partially completed nuclear
12 power plants that were terminated before they were ever
13 completed, so the decommissioning part's not all that relevant,
14 but the site restoration is.

15 The resolution also described the funding mechanism to
16 implement the restoration activities, so it's tasks and
17 funding. Another resolution was -- the second resolution was
18 issued in April of 2010, and it was basically a clarification
19 of the earlier resolution.

20 On November 6th, 2014, EFSEC issued notification or
21 received notification from Energy Northwest that it planned to
22 accelerate the site restoration of its WNP 1 and 4 facilities.
23 Energy Northwest plans to accelerate its restoration activities
24 in order to realize cost-saving opportunities and allow Energy
25 Northwest to pursue other site reuse options.

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1 Energy Northwest's notification letter states that all
2 of the restoration efforts in the accelerated schedule are
3 within the scope of the resolutions and the SCA that were
4 approved by the council in past years. It's important to note
5 that the SCA and the resolutions specify completion dates for
6 the restoration tasks, but it's -- it's up to Energy Northwest
7 when they want to begin -- when they want to begin them, so
8 they have that flexibility.

9 Based on EFSEC's review, EFSEC staff's review of
10 Energy Northwest's November 6th proposal and the SCA and the
11 two resolutions, EFSEC has prepared a letter acknowledging
12 Energy Northwest's plans to accelerate the restoration of the
13 WNP 1 and 4 sites.

14 EFSEC's acknowledgment letter requires Energy
15 Northwest to notify us of any restoration activities beyond the
16 scope of the approved plan. Now, because the council has
17 already approved the site restoration plan, this matter doesn't
18 really require any action by the council and is provided for
19 your information.

20 So in other words, we're -- we're providing this
21 information for you that the EFSEC staff will issue an
22 acknowledgment letter in the next few days. If councilmembers
23 have any questions or concerns about this issue, either myself
24 or Shannon Khounnala can address your questions. Be happy to
25 entertain them.

1 CHAIR LYNCH: Any questions for Mr. LaSpina? As he
2 indicated, we're -- the staff is just providing us notice that
3 this acknowledgment letter is going to go out, and that there's
4 no council action needed. But he is available for questions,
5 if anyone has any questions. Yes, Ms. Green-Taylor.

6 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: Thank you, Chair. I just wanted to
7 confirm that the two that are being -- that are being
8 decommissioned and the site being restored are not the 1 and 4
9 that are in operation. I was a little confused about that.

10 MR. LASPINA: The plant that is currently in operation
11 is the Columbia Generating Station, also known as WNP 2. WNP 1
12 and 4 are two plants adjacent to the Columbia Generating
13 Station that -- that were in different -- different levels of
14 completion when the entire -- when the projects were
15 discontinued by the state.

16 I think one of them was about 80 percent done. The
17 other one was maybe 40 or 50 percent done. So they never
18 operated, although there are -- many of the buildings were
19 built.

20 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: Okay. That helps clarify. Because
21 all along I thought we were getting reports on an operating --

22 MR. LASPINA: No, no.

23 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: -- thing. Okay. Got it. Thank
24 you.

25 MR. LASPINA: In fact, the operating station just got

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1 its license renewed a year or two ago for another 20 years,
2 so --

3 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: Okay.

4 MR. POSNER: So just for the record, I think that's a
5 good point. Because if you look at our agendas, we do list it
6 as "operational update." And more correctly, it should say
7 something along the lines of "site restoration update" perhaps.

8 I mean, maybe that's -- is that what you were going
9 off of, thinking -- looking at that operational update?

10 MS. GREEN-TAYLOR: That's exactly right. Yes. Thank
11 you.

12 MR. POSNER: So that's something we can correct in
13 future agendas anyway, just so there's no confusion.

14 CHAIR LYNCH: Or we can call it "nonoperational
15 update." So any questions for -- any other questions for
16 Mr. LaSpina? Yes, Mr. Siemann.

17 MR. SIEMANN: Thank you, Chair. Are there standards
18 for restoration that are established in these agreements?

19 MR. LASPINA: I think I'm going to let Shannon answer
20 that one. She would be able to answer it better than I.

21 CHAIR LYNCH: Go ahead, Ms. Khounnala, if you know.

22 MS. KHOUNNALA: Sure. So there are a variety of
23 parties involved in coming to an agreement on what
24 restoration -- the agreement for restoration. Those parties
25 included BPA, the Department of Energy who -- who we lease land

1 from, EFSEC as well as Energy Northwest. And there was a long
 2 process of negotiations with all of those agencies -- (Last Connection)

3 MS. MASTRO: Uh-oh.

4 CHAIR LYNCH: Censorship is a terrible thing. We'll
 5 try to have Ms. Khounnala reconnected here. Mr. LaSpina, you
 6 were about to --

7 MR. LASPINA: Perhaps I can -- perhaps I can provide
 8 some information. I don't have the depth of knowledge Shannon
 9 does. But when she mentioned BPA, that's the Bonneville Power
 10 Authority, not the Environmental Protection Agency.

11 Basically, it's -- it's -- it was a negotiation
 12 between the various parties that she mentioned. However, the
 13 Nuclear Regulatory Commission has specific criteria. There are
 14 several ways to decommission a nuclear power plant and like
 15 three or four different options. And so the proper options
 16 were -- well, the options were agreed upon.

17 BPA is involved, because they kind of own all the
 18 output of the Columbia Generating Station. The NRC has the
 19 standards, the actual standards for decommissioning the
 20 station. And of course, Energy Northwest owns the plant. So
 21 there are standards, yes.

22 CHAIR LYNCH: I'd like to add to that answer that all
 23 the facilities are required to have on deposit a -- some sort
 24 of security to allow -- because when a facility is cited by
 25 EFSEC, we oversee that facility through the decommissioning

1 process.

2 So all facilities have some security on deposit that
 3 we keep with the state treasurer. So that's in order to make
 4 sure that they -- when they undergo decommissioning, that there
 5 is in fact money there for it to occur.

6 And then one extra addition to that, we recently --
 7 Mr. Posner, do you want to mention about the contract we either
 8 have signed or about to sign regarding decommissioning and
 9 securities?

10 MR. POSNER: Right. We -- we recently -- well, I
 11 should say we're -- we're just about finalized a contract with
 12 a consultant to assist us with decommissioning, plan, cost
 13 assessment, just to make sure that the -- the amount of money
 14 that facilities put aside is adequate and that their -- the
 15 plans that they provide are adequate in terms of what level of
 16 site restoration they propose to do.

17 So this is something that we have not had in the past
 18 for -- for review on past EFSEC projects, so we do -- we will
 19 have that in place probably within the next month or so. We'll
 20 actually have a consultant who will be assisting us with
 21 reviewing these plans to make sure that they're adequate.

22 So -- and one thing I'd like to just add concerning
 23 these two facilities. And we talk about decommissioning and
 24 site restoration, we're talking about two projects that never
 25 operated as nuclear power plants. They were never completely

1 constructed and operational.

2 So -- and the -- the information that Mr. LaSpina was
 3 referring to is referred to as "the four-party agreement." The
 4 various parties came together. BPA essentially is responsible
 5 for these facilities. They're the ones that are financing all
 6 the site restoration activities.

7 And then, like Jim was saying, there was these
 8 agreements that they -- they all came -- came to agree on as
 9 far as how the site should be restored. And for the most part,
 10 it's restoring like a -- like a construction site that
 11 buildings are being torn down.

12 They're -- to the best of my knowledge, there are no
 13 issues with nuclear waste or hazardous waste that need to be
 14 mitigated for. It's basically reusing or tearing down or
 15 rehabbing existing structures on the site, for the most part.

16 MR. LASPINA: And -- and I can tell you that one of
 17 the sites is largely already deconstructed and is mostly just
 18 the concrete slabs that the building sat on. However, there is
 19 a fair amount of infrastructure there, such as railroad tracks
 20 and electrical transmission lines, all that sort of thing.

21 And the idea is that potentially Energy Northwest
 22 could use that infrastructure for a new project or something
 23 like that. So that's kind of what's driving this, this
 24 acceleration.

25 Also, there would be some cost savings to do the

1 site -- some of the site restoration now rather than waiting
 2 until later. The deadline for the final site restoration of
 3 those projects is like 2026. So the economists studied this
 4 and figured out they could save a bunch of money if they do the
 5 work now.

6 CHAIR LYNCH: And my understanding is, is that Energy
 7 Northwest as well as a number of other facilities have extended
 8 an open invitation to the council to tour their facilities when
 9 we have time. I know we've just had a lot of things going at
 10 the moment. But those of you who are interested in touring
 11 these different facilities that we oversee, I'm sure we can
 12 mutually arrange that at some time. Yes, Mr. Siemann.

13 MS. KHOUNNALA: And, Chair Lynch, sorry. This is
 14 Shannon Khounnala again with some serious phone difficulties
 15 here. But I -- I'll echo that. If any members of the council
 16 as well as EFSEC staff, as usual, are welcome to come and see,
 17 and if they'd like to have a tour of WNP 1 and 4 and the
 18 restoration process, you're all very welcome.

19 CHAIR LYNCH: Thank you. Mr. Siemann, you had a
 20 question?

21 MR. SIEMANN: Yes. Thank you. So I guess my question
 22 was really -- thank you for all of that information, but my
 23 question was really about is there a -- is there a standard for
 24 what the outcome of the restoration should be? Is it sort of
 25 to a preconstruction setting or is it something less than that?

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1 And I'm just trying to understand what restoration means and
2 how do you know you've achieved it.
3 MR. LASPINA: Well, I can -- I can speak generically
4 that it really depends. For instance, in the case of a wind
5 farm, which is often constructed in -- in a fairly natural
6 area, you would -- you would go back in and mostly remove all
7 the structures and -- and replant native species and turn it
8 back to the condition it was previously.

9 However, we have -- we have other facilities, such as
10 the Columbia Generating Station, that are built in highly
11 industrialized areas. In that case -- well, again, you would
12 return it back to a condition similar to the way it was, but it
13 won't necessarily be -- it won't be all natural, you know what
14 I mean, vegetation and all that sort of thing, because it's an
15 industrial site. So it really depends.

16 MR. POSNER: I think one of the main criteria of the
17 four-party agreement was to maximize or restore the site to
18 maximize reuse. And so that's one of the major goals of the
19 four-party agreement.

20 MR. SIEMANN: Thank you.

21 CHAIR LYNCH: Any further council questions either of
22 staff or Ms. Khounnala? Okay. Very good. Let's move on to
23 the Tesoro/Savage Vancouver Energy Distribution Terminal
24 update. Ms. Bumpus.

25 MS. BUMPUS: Thank you. Good afternoon, Chair Lynch

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1 and councilmembers. I have just a few updates relative to
2 permits. EFSEC received the advisory conditions for the
3 hydraulic project approval permit from our WDFW contractor last
4 week. We're currently reviewing that information and will be
5 packaging that to submit to the applicant.

6 For the NPDES storm water permits, the applicant
7 recently submitted a package at the end of February that our
8 permit contractors at Ecology are reviewing. And we're going
9 to continue to coordinate with them during their review, and we
10 should have some feedback from them within the next few weeks
11 as to whether we need to request additional information or
12 whether they feel they have enough information to begin
13 preparing draft permits.

14 I just have the air permit to talk about. Are there
15 any questions about the wastewater permits or the HPA permit?

16 CHAIR LYNCH: Just to follow up a little with a little
17 more detail, Ms. Bumpus, on the HPA. The issue before was
18 different agencies had -- were prescribing different fish
19 windows for the work, and it seems like they -- is it your
20 understanding they have come to an agreement on what those
21 that -- fish window should be or is it that they're getting
22 closer?

23 MS. BUMPUS: They're getting closer. WDFW has been in
24 consultation with federal agencies that are involved in
25 adjusting their work windows for fish. And they wanted to take

1 that information into account in their advisory conditions for
2 our project, for the HPA for this project. And so there has
3 been an adjustment to the work window, the in-water work window
4 based on consultation with NMFS and other federal agencies.

5 CHAIR LYNCH: Okay. Why don't you go ahead and
6 continue, Ms. Bumpus, and we'll save councilmember questions
7 for at the conclusion of your presentation.

8 MS. BUMPUS: For the air permit, as I updated last
9 month, the notice of construction permit application was
10 reviewed and was considered to be complete, so we were working
11 with our air permit contractor at Ecology to begin drafting
12 that permit. So we'll have more updates for you as we move
13 into that phase of actually writing the permit.

14 The next update is relative to the DEIS preparation.
15 Thank you for providing comments on chapter 1. And as you now
16 know, there is chapter 2 available for your review and comment.
17 Everything has -- has been going according to schedule. And I
18 anticipate we'll have sections of chapter 3 available for
19 review.

20 At this time cultural resources is a section that's
21 being reviewed by DAHP, and I think that that one may be
22 available, may be one of the first to be available for your
23 review and comment, but that could change. Some of these other
24 sections may catch up to it and -- but we'll keep you informed
25 about sections as they become available for your review.

1 CHAIR LYNCH: And would you mind just for people who
2 don't know what section 2 is and who might be listening, can
3 you just say what section 2 applies to.

4 MS. BUMPUS: So chapter 2?

5 CHAIR LYNCH: Excuse me. Chapter 2.

6 MS. BUMPUS: Chapter 2 is the project description, and
7 it also includes the alternatives analysis. And that's what
8 we've just recently posted for councilmembers to review and
9 comment on.

10 Chapter 3, the sections that will follow that I was
11 just speaking of, those sections will cover the impact analysis
12 relative to on-site direct impacts.

13 Are there any questions on any of the updates? That's
14 everything I have.

15 CHAIR LYNCH: Any questions for Ms. Bumpus on Tesoro
16 update? Mr. Snodgrass, I believe you were -- I don't want to
17 put words in your mouth, but there was some question about
18 inviting public comment that I believe you were interested in.

19 Were you wanting to ask a question with regard to
20 that?

21 MR. SNODGRASS: No, I did want to ask, I guess, a
22 clarifying question. I did have the opportunity to speak with
23 staff last week regarding the comment period for the EIS. And
24 my understanding, when it was discussed at the prior meeting of
25 a 30-day comment period, but that was the minimum legal

1 requirement.

2 But in fact the -- what's comment -- what gets
3 established at the comment period would be a decision before
4 council that presumably EFSEC could make, council could make
5 once the full EIS is -- once we reviewed all of that. Because
6 I know there obviously within the recent letters to public
7 record, there was some concern about that.

8 CHAIR LYNCH: Right. And I guess I'll just follow up
9 a little bit, Mr. Snodgrass. We have gotten some
10 correspondence regarding the comment period for the draft EIS,
11 and I -- and we are not making a decision today on what that
12 time period -- what that time period would be for -- for
13 comments.

14 First of all, I want to make sure I have the
15 opportunity to talk to our very able and learned assistant
16 attorney general and administrative law judge before we make
17 any decision.

18 But I would just point out a few things that I -- I
19 have done a little bit of looking myself. First of all,
20 starting with WAC 197-11-502, which pertains to inviting
21 comment. Sub 5 of that section pertains to the draft EIS, and
22 sub B says, "The commenting period shall be 30 days, unless
23 extended by the lead agency under WAC 197-11-4 55."

24 197-11-455 is issuance of the draft EIS. And sub 6 of
25 that says, "Any person or agency shall have 30 days from the

1 The council would just -- when we said, "Here's the
2 comment period," we would just, if we chose to do so, have a
3 comment period of 45 days. No further action would be required
4 by anybody.

5 But at this point in time, we'd like to take a look at
6 further review of what the law allows and to also, as
7 Mr. Snodgrass indicated, take a look and see what in fact
8 the -- the -- is coming in, in terms of the draft EIS, in terms
9 of how complicated it is. And so we're reserving a final
10 decision today.

11 Anybody like to -- any other councilmember like to
12 jump in at this time to add any thoughts? And -- and it's most
13 likely that we will be having hearings in both Vancouver and
14 Spokane.

15 Okay. Ms. Bumpus, did you have anything else?

16 MS. BUMPUS: That's all.

17 CHAIR LYNCH: Okay. I think that, unless someone has
18 a question regarding the proposed Vancouver Energy Distribution
19 Terminal, let's go ahead and move on to other business in front
20 of the council. I'll jump in on the legislation update.

21 Our request legislation, Senate Bill 5310, failed to
22 pass the house at the -- in time for the cutoff to consider
23 request -- to consider legislation from the senate. But I've
24 been around long enough to know that there are rules and there
25 are rules when it comes to legislation.

1 date of issue in which to review and comment upon the draft
2 EIS."

3 The next subsection, subsection 7, says, "Upon
4 request, the lead agency may grant an extension of up to 15
5 days to the comment period. Agencies in the public must
6 request any extension before the end of the comment period."

7 And finally, I'd want to note that WAC 197-11-055 sub
8 7 provides that, "For their own public proposals, lead agencies
9 may extend the time limits prescribed in these rules."

10 So those are the -- the various subsections that we
11 would be looking at. But I would also note that anybody who's
12 worked in the SEPA area knows that any -- virtually every word
13 and punctuation mark has been litigated at some time or another
14 and with regards to that chapter, so that's why I would like to
15 take more time to have councilmembers have a chance to look at
16 the -- the subsections that we're looking at under the law,
17 have a chance to look to see if there's any case law regarding
18 this.

19 But I will say this: That because we have had
20 requests to extend the comment period, if the council believes
21 that the comment period should be extended, I -- I would
22 recommend that we would just, at least for the initial 45 days,
23 assuming that there was -- there's an interest in extending the
24 comment period, we don't need any further requests from the
25 public to extend the comment period from 30 days to 45 days.

1 So the session's not over yet. I still remain hopeful
2 that we can get our bill through. I'm in conversations with
3 some people over there and so I'm -- I still remain optimistic
4 that we can get our request legislation through the process
5 before the legislation -- legislature adjourns.

6 And, Mr. LaSpina, you have a -- something that you'd
7 like -- you'd like to update us a bit on our proposed air
8 rules.

9 MR. LASPINA: Thank you, Chair Lynch. Yes. Over the
10 past year, EFSEC staff has been working with the Department of
11 Ecology and the Environmental Protection Agency to revise our
12 air rule, Chapter 463-78 WAC.

13 The rule -- the revisions have been blessed by Ecology
14 and EPA, and at this time our public notice documents are being
15 reviewed by Ecology for completeness. As soon as we -- the --
16 the public notice documents are approved, EFSEC staff intends
17 to go to public notice with the rule revisions.

18 CHAIR LYNCH: And this will be an expedited rule
19 adoption process, because all we are doing is adopting -- we're
20 piggybacking on rules Ecology already has in place.

21 MR. LASPINA: Yes, sir. So -- and that would be --
22 the public notice would be a 45-day public notice period.
23 Notice would appear in the state register and be sent out by --
24 or sent out to the EFSEC interested parties list.

25 CHAIR LYNCH: And this will help jump start our SIP

1 approval process later this year. Hopefully -- well, it will
2 accelerate our ability to get a SIP approval, which we hope
3 will occur later this year.

4 MR. LASPINA: Yes, sir.

5 CHAIR LYNCH: Any questions for Mr. LaSpina regarding
6 where we are in the rules update? I'll tell you, Ecology -- I
7 just have to say this again. Ecology has just been a wonderful
8 partner in this rules adoption process.

9 They have helped us immensely, not only with just the
10 technical aspect, but helped advising us how to work with EPA
11 to get this approval, and we can't thank them enough for their
12 able assistance on this.

13 And if there's no other questions regarding their air
14 permits, let's go ahead and, Mr. Posner, you can update us on
15 the fourth quarter cost allocation.

16 MR. POSNER: Thank you, Chair Lynch, councilmembers.
17 As we do at the beginning of each quarter, we recalculate our
18 non-direct cost allocation percentages for our projects. There
19 is a sheet in your packet that lists the percentages. I'll go
20 ahead and read those off for the benefit of those folks who are
21 on the speaker phone.

22 And let's start with the Kittitas Valley Wind Power
23 Project is six percent. Wild Horse is seven percent. Columbia
24 Generating Station is 17 percent. WNP 1 and 4 is three
25 percent. Whistling Ridge Energy Project is three percent.

1 Grays Harbor 1 and 2 is nine percent.

2 Chehalis Generation Project is nine percent. Desert
3 Claim Wind Power Project is two percent. BP Cogeneration
4 Project is two percent. Grays Harbor Energy 3 and 4 is three
5 percent, and Tesoro/Savage is 39 percent. And I'll be happy to
6 answer any questions councilmembers have.

7 CHAIR LYNCH: Any questions for Mr. Posner on the cost
8 allocations? Very good. And I just would note, for the good
9 of the order, that starting at next month's monthly meeting,
10 you will be getting updates from Judge Noble on where we are on
11 the adjudication process.

12 MS. NOBLE: That's correct.

13 CHAIR LYNCH: And does anyone have anything else that
14 they'd like to bring up before the council at this time?

15 Hearing none, we are adjourned. Thank you.

16 (Proceedings concluded at 2:18 p.m.)

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Kittitas Valley Wind Power Project

Monthly Project Update

May 19, 2015

Project Status Update

March Production Summary:

MWh 9,887 MWh
Wind 7.3 m/s or 16.7 mph
CF 36.3%

Safety:

No incidents

Compliance:

Project is in compliance as of May 18th, 2015.

Sound:

No complaints

Shadow Flicker:

No complaints

Environmental:

Achieved ISO 14001 and OSHAS 18001 certification

Wild Horse

Wind Production: April generation totaled 62,168 MWh for an average capacity factor of 31.67%.

Safety: No lost-time accidents or safety incidents to report in April.

Compliance/Environmental:

- In accordance with the Post-Construction Rangeland Management and Grazing Plan, cows were let out to graze at Wild Horse on April 1st.
- Minutes from the TAC meeting held on February 12th were reviewed by TAC members and finalized on April 6th.
- In accordance with the Alternative Sage-Grouse Conservation Measures, as recommended by the TAC, approximately 3 miles of old barbed wire fencing was removed to reduce the potential of collision hazards for sage-grouse and other wildlife.
- In accordance with the Sage-Grouse Nesting and Brood-Rearing Habitat Restoration and Management Plan, year one of the five year habitat monitoring program was completed in The Pines restoration area. Results of monitoring activities will be shared with the TAC once the data had been compiled and evaluated.
- Ray Latham from the Department of Ecology's Water Quality Program and Jim LaSpina, EFSEC staff, conducted a stormwater inspection on April 16th. Following the inspection Mr. Latham commented that revegetation of the site is progressing well and there are no significant stormwater maintenance issues. A final inspection report will be issued by Ecology following their review and comment on the Operations Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).
- Site staff received stormwater training and were recertified as Erosion & Sediment Control Leads.

EFSEC Monthly Operational Report

April, 2015

1. Safety and Training

- 1.1. There were no accidents or injuries during the month of April.
- 1.2. Conducted scheduled and required monthly training.
- 1.3. Conducted the scheduled safety committee meeting.
- 1.4. Conducted annual CPR and First Aid, and fire extinguisher refresher training with Grays Harbor Fire District 5 personnel.

2. Environmental

- 2.1. Submitted the March Discharge Monitor Report (DMR) for outfall to EFSEC.
- 2.2. Submitted 2015 first quarter Emissions Data Report (EDR) to EFSEC and EPA.
- 2.3. Continued dialogue with EPA on PSD amendment 4.

3. Operations & Maintenance

- 3.1. Grays Harbor Energy operated 0 days and generated 0 MWh during the month of April.
- 3.2. The capacity factor (CF) was 0.0% in April, and 3.9% YTD.
- 3.3. The availability factor (AF) was 80.0% in April, and 94.9% YTD.
- 3.4. Grays Harbor Energy began our scheduled annual maintenance outage on 4/25/15. The outage is scheduled to last 14 days.

4. Noise and/or Odor

- 4.1. There were no complaints made to the site during the month of April.

5. Site Visits

- 5.1. There were no site visitors during the month of April.

6. Other

- 6.1. Grays Harbor is currently staffed with 21 personnel. We are in the process of reviewing applications to fill one open position, due to the resignation of one O&M Tech in April.
- 6.2. Installation of noise monitoring equipment is budgeted and planned for the 2nd half of 2015.

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15 May 2015

Safety:

- There were no recordable incidents this reporting period and the plant staff has achieved 4547 days without a Lost Time Accident.

Environment:

- Waste water monitoring results are in compliance with the permit limits for the month of April 2015.
- Three new monitoring wells are identified as MW-4 thru MW-6 was installed by our consultant in addition to the redevelopment of two existing wells, MW-1 and MW-3 (installed in 2013). Quarterly sampling of all five groundwater wells was completed. The subsurface soil and groundwater investigation, along with the quarterly well sampling is being conducted under the Washington State Department of Ecology Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). This VCP is associated with the continued investigation of potential mineral oil impacts to shallow subsurface soils and related groundwater due to releases (2011 and 2013) of mineral oil used as insulating fluid in the Generator Step Up (GSU) transformers.

Personnel:

- Authorized plant staffing level is currently 19 with 19 positions filled.

Operations and Maintenance Activities:

- The Plant generated 20,773 megawatts during the month of April. The year-to-date capacity factor is 7.36%.

Regulatory/Compliance:

- There were no air emissions deviations, waste-water or stormwater deviations or spills during the month of April 2015.
- Sound monitoring: There were no noise complaints to report.

Carbon Offset Mitigation

- Nothing to report this period

Respectfully,

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**Energy Northwest
EFSEC Council Meeting
May 19, 2015
(Steve McNutt)**

I. Columbia Generating Station Operational Status

Columbia is currently offline for the R22 refueling outage. The plant operated for 683 continuous days leading up to the start of this outage.

The refueling outage will continue through June 15, 2015.

Last month, the State Fire Marshall completed the life safety inspection of Columbia and the WNP 1/4 complex. Energy Northwest is currently waiting on the results of this inspection.

There are no other events, safety incidents, or regulatory issues to report.

II. WNP 1/4 Water Rights

The Department of Energy participated in a site visit to the WNP 1/4 facility on May 6, 2015, to assist with the scoping process for the NEPA Environmental Assessment. The NEPA Environmental Assessment will allow a new lease to be signed between EN and the Department of Energy, and thereby allow for use of the water rights obtained in January of this year. The preparation of the NEPA Environmental Assessment is expected to last through the summer of 2015 with formal reviews to follow.